

Division on Earth and Life Studies Board on Environmental Studies and Toxicology

June 13, 2022

Tia Groves
Task Order Contracting Officer Representative (TOCOR)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
William Jefferson Clinton Building
Washington, DC 20460

Re: May 2022 Progress Report, Strategic Positioning of EPA's Research and Development Enterprise to Inform Future Environmental Protection: The Road Ahead, Contract #68HERC19D0011, Task Order #68HERC20F0314

### Dear Ms. Groves:

A subgroup of the committee met in-person and entirely in closed session at the National Academies Keck Center on May 5th and 6th to draft portions of the committee's report. The full committee met entirely in closed session via the Internet on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> to discuss and refine its report. Academies project staff supported the work of the committee by gathering background information, arranging meetings, and compiling and refining text developed by committee members. Project staff also surveyed members concerning their availabilities for a future committee meeting. ORD personnel provided ORD budget information requested by the committee for the years 2003-2022.

On May 25, the National Academies contracting officer received from the EPA contracting officer a modification of the task order to add more time and additional, within-scope work to develop a supplemental consensus report addressing EPA's use of the Title 42 Hiring Authority.

In June, the committee will prepare its draft report for the Academies review process. Project staff will support the committee's efforts and prepare a slate of candidate report reviewers for Academies approval. In addition, Academies staff will prepare a proposal for carrying out the work needed for a supplemental report on EPA's use of the Title 42 Hiring Authority.

### Financial information for May 2022

Cost Category	Expe	Expenditures (\$)	
Labor Cost			
ODCs			
Overhead		Ex. 4 CBI	
G&A			
Total		53,104.58	

The total expenditures since inception are \$708,377.39. Attached are (1) a table of monthly labor costs, cumulative labor costs, total monthly expenditures, cumulative total expenditures, and the percentage of the total potential award spent, and (2) figures showing a comparison of total funds spent and labor costs, cumulative funds spent by activity (excluding labor), and cumulative hours worked by staff.

Sincerely,

Raymond Wassel

Responsible Staff Officer

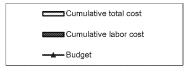
Ray Wassel

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### EPA ORD Anticipatory Research Sponsor Award # 68HERC19D0011/686HERC20F031 Progress Report, May 1, 2022 thru May 31, 2022 Total Dollars Spent (Thousand)

## Ex. 4 CBI

1245.29



EPA ORD Anticipatory Research Sponsor Award #68HERC19D0011/686HERC20F031 Progress Report, May 1, 2022 thru May31, 2022 Comparison of Total Funds Spent and Labor Cost

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Monthly

EPA ORD Anticipatory Research
Sponsor Award # 68HERC19D0011/686HERC20F031
Progress Report, May 1, 2022 thru May 31, 2022
Cumulative Funds Spent by Task (Excluding Labor)

# Ex. 4 CBI

■ Funds Spent this Period Total funds spent to date

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EPA ORD Anticipatory Research Sponsor Award # 68HERC19D0011/686HERC20F031 Progress Report, May 1, 2022 - May 31, 2022 Cumulative Hours Worked by Staff

■ Hours worked this month

□Hours worked to date

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